

## II. Listing of Claims

### Patent claims

1. (Currently Amended): An Airbag airbag for use in a motor vehicle comprising: with

an airbag cover ~~(19) surrounding~~ enclosing a gas chamber and at least one venting arrangement which connects the gas chamber to the an exterior environment, ~~whereby the~~ wherein

a gas flow is throttled or blocked by the venting arrangement when a certain area of the airbag cover ~~(19)~~ meets an obstacle, ~~whereby~~ and

the venting arrangement includes at least one opening ~~(14)~~ in the airbag cover, and

~~characterised in that~~ the venting arrangement also includes ~~[[a]]~~ at least one tube ~~(16)~~ connected with the airbag cover in which the at least one opening ~~(14)~~ ends, ~~whereby~~ and the tube ~~exhibits~~ includes an exit opening going to the outside exterior environment.

2. (Currently Amended): ~~Airbag~~ An airbag according to Claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the exit opening is ~~a front side~~ one end of the tube.

3. (Currently Amended): ~~Airbag~~ An airbag according to Claim 2, ~~characterised in that both front sides~~ wherein two ends of the tube are exit openings.

4. (Currently Amended): ~~Airbag~~ An airbag according to ~~any of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ Claim 1, wherein the tube exhibits includes a fabric woven element (18) fixed on the airbag cover (19), so that a part of the tube walls are formed of a section of the airbag cover (19).

5. (Currently Amended): ~~Airbag~~ An airbag according to Claim 4, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the fabric element (18) is located on the side of the airbag cover(19) which faces ~~the vehicle occupants~~ of the motor vehicle.

6. (Currently Amended): ~~Airbag~~ An airbag according to ~~any of the previous claims, characterised in that several~~ according to Claim 1, further comprising a plurality of openings (14) ~~are present which~~ end in the at least one tube.

7. (Currently Amended): ~~Airbag~~ An airbag according to ~~any of the previous claims, characterised in that~~ Claim 1, further comprising at least one further additional opening (14) ~~is present which~~ in the airbag cover positioned such that the additional opening does not end in ~~[[a]]~~ the at least one tube.

8. (Currently Amended): ~~Motor~~ A motor vehicle with including a side airbag, the side airbag comprising: with

an airbag cover (19) enclosing a gas chamber and at least one venting arrangement which connects the gas chamber ~~with the~~ to an exterior environment, ~~whereby~~ and

~~the a gas stream flow~~ is throttled or blocked when a certain area of the airbag cover meets an obstacle, ~~whereby wherein~~

the venting arrangement includes at least one opening (14) in the airbag cover, ~~and~~

~~characterised in that~~

the venting arrangement also includes ~~[[a]]~~ at least one tube (16) connected with the airbag cover, in which the at least one opening (14) ends, ~~whereby and~~ the tube ~~exhibits~~ includes an exit opening to an exterior environment ~~going towards the outside~~, and whereby the tube is located at ~~the height of the shoulders~~ a shoulder height of a 50 fiftieth percentile male when located in his a normal seating position ~~when~~ with the airbag ~~[[is]]~~ expanded.

9. (Currently Amended): ~~Motor~~ A motor vehicle ~~with~~ including a front airbag, the front airbag comprising: ~~with~~

an airbag cover (19) ~~surrounding~~ enclosing a gas chamber and ~~exhibiting~~ including an impact ~~surface,~~ surface and at least one venting arrangement which connects the gas chamber ~~with the~~ to an exterior environment, ~~whereby the~~ wherein

a gas flow is throttled or blocked when a certain area of the airbag cover meets an obstacle, ~~whereby~~ and

the venting arrangement includes at least one opening (14) in the airbag cover, ~~and~~

~~characterised in that~~

the venting tube also includes ~~[[a]]~~ at least one tube (16) connected with the airbag cover, in which the at least one opening ends, and whereby the tube ~~exhibits~~ includes an exit opening ~~going to the outside~~ to the exterior environment.

10. (Currently Amended): ~~Motor~~ A motor vehicle according to Claim 9, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the at least one tube (16) is located on the impact surface (12) of the airbag.

11. (Currently Amended): ~~Motor~~ A motor vehicle according to Claim 10, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the at least one tube located on the impact surface (12) extends in an angled upward direction from a lower central area of the impact surface ~~sloping in an upwards direction~~.

12. (Currently Amended): ~~Vehicle~~ A motor vehicle according to ~~any of~~ Claims 9 to 11, ~~characterised in that several~~ Claim 9, further comprising a plurality of openings are present.

13. (Currently Amended): ~~Vehicle~~ A motor vehicle according to ~~any of~~ Claims 9 to 12, ~~characterised in that~~ Claim 9, further comprising two symmetrically arranged venting arrangements ~~are present~~.

14. (Currently Amended): ~~Vehicle~~ A motor vehicle according to Claim 10, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the tube on the impact surface (12) extends

substantially horizontally across the impact surface from a central to an upper area ~~basically horizontally~~.

15. (Currently Amended): ~~Motor~~ A motor vehicle according to Claim 14 ~~characterised in that~~ further comprising at least two openings ~~are present~~.

16. (Currently Amended): ~~Motor~~ A motor vehicle according to Claim 9, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the front airbag is a passenger airbag and the tube is located at on an area of the airbag cover ~~which is located~~ between the impact surface and an instrument panel (4) of the motor vehicle, ~~whereby~~ and the tube extends basically at ~~a slope~~ an angle to the longitudinal direction of the vehicle.

17. (New): A motor vehicle according to Claim 16, wherein the tube is located approximately at a knee level of a vehicle occupant.

18. (New): An airbag according to Claim 1, wherein the tube is positioned such that upon deployment of the airbag a large occupant of the motor vehicle will contact the tube and block the gas flow to the exterior environment and a small occupant will not contact the tube, permitting the gas flow to continue.

19. (New): An airbag according to Claim 18, wherein the large occupant includes a fiftieth percentile male.

20. (New): An airbag according to Claim 18, wherein the small occupant includes a fifth percentile female.